

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER TWENTY-TWO

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, international terrorists attacked the United States in an orchestrated plot to cause massive civilian casualties, destabilize this nation's economy and defense infrastructure, and destroy the very symbols that reflect the strength and ingenuity of this country; and

WHEREAS, terrorists commandeered four passenger aircraft, flying two of the aircraft into the World Trade Center Towers in New York City, flying the third aircraft into the ediface of the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and crashing the fourth aircraft into a field in western Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, these attacks resulted in a catastrophic loss of life to airline passengers and crew, persons engaged in activities in and around the World Trade Center Towers and Pentagon, and the brave men and women who responded to emergency requests for assistance; and

WHEREAS, the property damage resulting from these attacks will reach tens of billions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the airline industry has incurred devastating financial losses that will necessitate an immediate act of Congress to protect against bankruptcy; and

WHEREAS, federal officials are beginning to expose a network of organizations, with members operating in the United States and in other countries, dedicated to training and supporting terrorist activities worldwide; and

WHEREAS, President Bush has declared a world-wide war against terrorism, by seeking the cooperation and support of other nations, federal agencies, and state governments to assist in the detection and apprehension of terrorist operatives, and to increase the level of security around potential terrorist targets; and

WHEREAS, Bush Administration officials warn that more terrorist attacks could occur in the United States in light of information gathered by national security and law enforcement personnel; and

WHEREAS, on September 27th, President Bush asked each governor across the country to deploy National Guard personnel for the purpose of enhancing security at the nation's commercial airports; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Const. Article 4, section 7 and Iowa Code § 29A.7 grant the governor the authority to employ the military forces of the state for the defense or relief of the state, the enforcement of its laws, the protection of life and property, and for emergencies resulting from disasters or public disorders.



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NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS J. VILSACK, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power vested in me by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Iowa do hereby order the Adjutant General of the Iowa National Guard to call sufficient National Guard personnel, pursuant to 32 U.S.C. section 502(f), to staff designated airport checkpoints for security enhancement measures.

Pursuant to this Order, the Adjutant General shall order National Guard personnel to assume the following duties at designated airport security checkpoints:

- monitor and reinforce security checkpoints by assessing the effectiveness of checkpoint structures and operations, and ensuring that corrective actions are taken as necessary to correct deficiencies and supplement existing security measures; and
- assist screeners, supervisors, and law enforcement personnel in security checkpoint activities and operations.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 3 day of day of the year of our Lord two thousand one.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE